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Art Unit 2155

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

U.S. Utility Patent Application

Application No. 09/973,781; Filed: October 11, 2001

For: Cable Modem System And Method For Dynamically Mixing Protocol Specific Header Suppression Techniques

Inventors:

BUNN et al.

Our Ref:

1875.0660001

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17);
- 2. Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1);
- 3. Copy of PTO date stamped receipt card of May 17, 2004, reflecting payment of the first month's extension of time fee of \$110.00;
- 4. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116;
- 5. Request For Continued Examination Transmittal (RCE);
- 6. PTO-2038 Credit Card Request Form in the amount of \$1080.00 to cover the \$770.00 Request for Continued Examination fee; and the \$310.00 fee for the 2nd month extension of time; and
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